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WKU outgrows state schools

By COLLEEN STEWART
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The legion of undergraduate Toppers is growing faster than any other body of students in the state.

Western's estimated undergraduate enrollment rate of growth has surpassed all other Kentucky public schools in the past decade.

The growth of 36.6 percent since 1999 was the largest by a margin of 13.1 percent, according to estimated enrollment data from the Council on Postsecondary Education.

"It is definitely a hefty

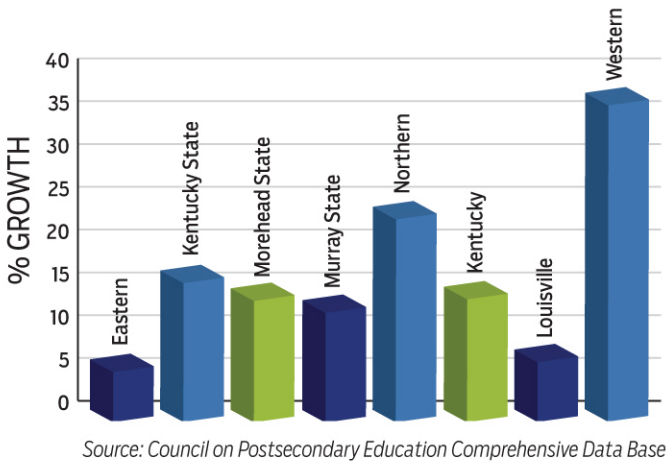
increase," said Sue Patrick, communications director for CPE.

Western's undergraduate enrollment rate increase is followed by Northern Kentucky University with growth of 23.5 percent and Kentucky State University with growth of 15.8 percent, according to CPE's data.

"Western seems to be keeping up with their thriving campus," Patrick said. "They are a stellar example of how to grow and also serve the students, region and state."

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10-YEAR GROWTH IN
UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT



MORGAN WALKER/HERALD

Madisonville freshman Chelsea Dickerson practices for the Western performance of "13 Dirt Floor Cathedral Dances" hours before the show on Wednesday. Volunteers were trained by the Lubberland National Dance Company the day of the show. "Everyone involved in theater got an e-mail about it," she said. "We've been here practicing since 2."

Daily Bread

Traveling theater group makes stop at Western

By KATHERINE WADE
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Evolving. Challenging. Protesting.

That's how Maura Gahan described the Bread and Puppet Theatre, whose Lubberland National Dance Company presented its new show in Gordon Wilson Hall Wednesday.

The group, based in Glover, Vt., contacted Western about getting stu-

dent volunteers to learn the dances and perform them — all in one day.

"You don't have to be trained or come from a specific background," said Gahan, a touring member of the dance company. "You just come together and use your bodies as voices, and that's pretty amazing."

Bread and Puppet Theatre was founded during the Vietnam War, when the group organized anti-war protests

in New York. They serve bread to the audience after each performance and believe art should be as central to people's lives as bread, Gahan said.

"They asked for at least 10 volunteers, and got well over that," said Emily Wilcox, a senior art major from Louisville who organized the event. "We're really happy about how many people participated."

SEE BREAD, PAGE 6

Keep off the grass

Officials ban
parking on lawns
on game day

By MICHELLE DAY
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One Western tailgating tradition will be missing before the Oct. 10 football game against Florida International: the rows of vehicles parked on grassy areas.

Officials announced Thursday that tailgaters can't park on campus lawns anymore and cited protecting lawns and trees as the reason for the decision.

Tailgating on the lawns is still allowed in pop-up tents, said Howard Bailey, vice president for Student Affairs. Tailgaters in parking lots can use up to three parking spaces but can't block driving lanes.

"Tailgating on major campuses is primarily done on hard-surface parking lots," Bailey said. "Parking lots are made for parking cars."

Western spends about \$20,000 each year repairing grass, trees and sidewalks after tailgating damage, Campus Services Manager Greg Fear said.

But tailgating at the Western-Central Arkansas game alone caused \$10,000 to \$12,000 in damage to grass and soil, Fear said.

"Usually we can go the whole season with all the games and just have to replace the sod in the winter or spring," he said. "It's gotten that bad maybe once."

Heavy rainfall and increased attendance caused the extra damage, he said.

More people have started attending games and tailgating partially because of the team's move to the Football Bowl Subdivision, said Todd Stewart, associate athletic director for communications. More people equals more damage to traditional tailgating areas.

Western has plenty of parking, so people shouldn't be discouraged from tailgating, he said.

"People will be able to enjoy everything they were able to enjoy before," Stewart said.

SEE GRASS, PAGE 6



Check
online for
a map of
tailgating
changes



Former student finds fit in Bowling Green

By WHITNEY KOONTZ
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Students who want their clothing altered only have to walk down the Hill into downtown Bowling Green to find what they need.

Erin Huntsberry opened Just My Fit, an alterations and design shop at 916 ½ State St., in April.

"I have a love-hate relationship with my job," she said, while trimming fabric on her measuring table. "There are sometimes when I feel a little overloaded, but there's no better feeling in the world when I finish a complicated job."

Huntsberry, who does all of the alterations on her own, is from Gettysburg, Penn., but transferred to

Western to major in design, merchandising and textiles. She left Western in 2007.

She said she decided to open Just My Fit because she longed to do something she felt passionate about, so she left her job as a waitress at a local restaurant and began to plan for her own alterations business.

Just My Fit caters to students' needs, she said. The most popular services for students are jean hemming and changing the cut of a pair of jeans.

Hemming a pair of jeans costs \$12 and taking in a pair costs from \$15 to \$20, depending on the amount of tailoring needed, Huntsberry said. Just My Fit also

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our TOWN

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Our Town is a series that
highlights Bowling Green
businesses that appeal to
students..



MARY POWERS/HERALD

Western graduate and business owner Erin Huntsberry of Bowling Green measures a garment at Just My Fit, an alteration shop she operates from her apartment downtown. Huntsberry has been sewing since she was 8 years old.

CRIME REPORTS

■ Holly J. Payne, associate communication professor, and Charlotte A. Elder, communication instructor, reported on Sept. 30 that they had money stolen from their wallets in the fine arts center, rooms 100 and 139. The value of the theft was \$145.

■ Gerardo Brito, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported on Sept. 29 that his class ring was stolen from DUC South Lawn near the Guthrie Bell Tower. The value of the theft was \$500.

■ Thomas T. Bostic-Majors, Morgantown Road, reported on Sept. 28 that on Sept. 24 he left his backpack in Downing University Center, and upon return, it was gone. The value of the theft was \$373.

■ Jonathan Morgan, Scottsville, reported on Sept. 28 that his book bag, four textbooks and miscellaneous school items were stolen from a South Campus classroom. The value of the theft was \$310.

■ Lai Xin Siew, PFT, reported on Sept. 28 that three students with white Halloween masks knocked on her dorm room door in an attempt to get inside.

■ Richard B. Condon III and Steven C. Green, PFT, were arrested behind PFT on Sept. 30 and charged with disorderly conduct of the second degree. They were released on a court order on Oct. 1.

CORRECTION

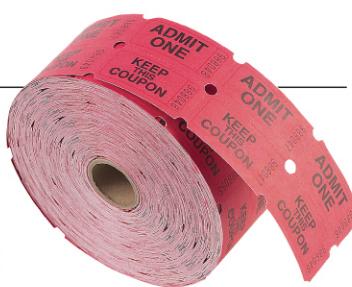
■ Due to a Herald error, information in a Sept. 29 online article about a Student Government Association meeting was incorrect. The SGA is providing money for a mural project to be painted on the side of a concrete dumpster encasing between Schneider and McLean halls.

friday

The Massacre
7 p.m. to midnight at 1960 Three Springs Road
Admission is \$25

Skeleton's Lair Haunted Woods and Hayride
7 p.m. to midnight at 48 Locketts Dream in Settle
Admission is \$18

Eccentricities of a Nightingale
8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Russell Miller Theatre in the fine arts center
Admission is \$8 for students and \$10 for adults



saturday

Bowling Green Farmer's Market
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7 a.m. to 12 p.m. in The Medical Center parking lot, 250 Park St.

Starry Night Festival
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See www.wkuherald.com on Saturday for coverage of the festival

Chaney's Birthday Bash
11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Chaney's Dairy Barn, 9191 Nashville Road

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7 p.m. to midnight at 1960 Three Springs Road
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sunday

Chaney's Corn Maze
11 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Chaney's Dairy Barn, 9191 Nashville Road
Admission is \$6 and includes a scoop of ice cream

Pumpkin Festival
1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Jackson's Orchard, 1280 Slim Island Road

Eccentricities of a Nightingale
3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Russell Miller Theatre in the fine arts center
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NEWS BRIEF

Regents committees to meet

The Board of Regents committees meet today in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room in Mass Media and Technology Hall.

Committee approvals are not final, said Deborah Wilkins, chief of staff and general counsel.

Wilkins said approved items will move on to full votes at the Board of Regents meeting on Oct. 30.

The Academic Affairs Committee meets at 9 a.m. Discussions will include the ap-

proval of the purchase of several cottages at Colonial Courts and enrollment information.

The Finance and Budget Committee meets at 10 a.m. Discussions will include approval of personnel actions and of the operating budget for 2009-2010.

The Student Affairs Committee meets at 11 a.m.

The Executive Committee meets at 12:30 p.m. Discussions will include the approval of Athletic Director Wood Selig's amended contract and the revised 2010-2016 capital plan.

— Emily Ulber

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Jewish students juggle class, religion

By SHAKIA HARRIS
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Some Jewish students face a balancing act when trying to honor their religious traditions and go to class.

The dilemma appears in September with the holidays Rosh Hashanah, which started Sept. 18, and Yom Kippur, which was Monday.

But it's not just a balancing act that presents problems for Jewish students. Some feel the absence of places to worship in Bowling Green affects honoring their traditions, too.

Many Jewish students are unsure whether their teachers will penalize them for missing class to attend religious services, said Bryan Carson, adviser to the Jewish Student Organization.

Carson said he notifies teachers with dates of upcoming holidays and asks them to excuse students if they're attending services.

This task wasn't a big hassle this semester because recent holidays, such as Rosh Hashanah, fell on a weekend, he said.

Rosh Hashanah, commonly known as the Jewish New Year, is considered one of the holiest days of the year, Carson said.

It's a time when Jewish people look back at sins they've committed in the past year, he said.

Carson compared Rosh Hashanah to the American New Year because that's typically when Americans think about the previous year and make resolutions or promises for the future.

Chicago sophomore Paige Levy said she was relieved that Rosh Hashanah

“When I want to attend services, I have to go all the way to Louisville, which can be difficult sometimes.”

—JACKIE MORGUELAN
Louisville sophomore

was the same weekend as Parents Weekend because she was able to celebrate it with her family.

Yom Kippur, the most solemn Jewish holiday, comes 10 days after Rosh Hashanah, Carson said.

Yom Kippur is seen as the day for repentance, and followers of Judaism typically fast, or refuse to eat food, for 24 hours, Levy said.

Carson said he warns teachers that students may seem sluggish in class on that day.

Chicago sophomore Josh Handelsman said he had a hard time concentrating in class Monday because he was fasting.

“The starvation definitely distracted me,” he said.

Handelsman said he's afraid to miss class on the holidays because he doesn't want to be marked absent.

He said he doesn't know of any temples or places of worship in the Bowling Green area. This year, he fasted for Yom Kippur but didn't attend any services.

Handelsman said Bowling Green is very different from his large Jewish community in Chicago. He knows of only one other Jewish student in Bowling

Green.

The holidays would be more respected around campus if there were more places of worship for Jewish students around Bowling Green and more Jewish student organizations, he said.

Louisville sophomore Jackie Morguelan said it's hard for her to celebrate holidays because there isn't a synagogue in Bowling Green.

“When I want to attend services, I have to go all the way to Louisville, which can be difficult sometimes,” she said.

She said she wanted to attend Yom Kippur services at a synagogue but had classes she couldn't miss.

She said she would be more devoted to honoring Jewish holidays while at Western if the Jewish community in Bowling Green was larger.

Carson said there are Jewish services at the Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green on State Street during major holidays.

Congregation Am Shalom, the Jewish congregation of Bowling Green, usually hosts religious services at that location on the second Friday of the month, according to the congregation's Web site.

Provide-A-Ride returns

By SHAKIA HARRIS
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Provide-A-Ride's making its comeback this week with new services in tow.

Parking and Transportation Services announced the reactivation of Provide-A-Ride and its new provider on Wednesday.

The service, which aims to prevent drunk driving, offers students rides to campus and nearby locations from Tuesday through Saturday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The service previously stopped after the former provider's contract ended.

Now, Franklin Taxi runs Provide-A-Ride and offers two new services — non-emergency medical transportation and a shuttle service to the Nashville International Airport, said Justin Thur-

man, administrative vice president for the Student Government Association.

Jennifer Tougas, director of Parking and Transportation, said Provide-A-Ride services started again on Thursday.

The Provide-A-Ride contract was signed at the Friday, Sept. 25 meeting among officials representing Parking and Transportation, the SGA and Franklin Taxi, SGA President Kevin Smiley said.

The previous provider, Bowling Green Shuttle Service, withdrew its bid, he said.

Officials began searching for a new provider after they announced the suspension of Provide-A-Ride on Sept. 18.

Parking and Transportation, Health Services and SGA were seeking a company that offered the

additional services Franklin Taxi, also known as Yellow Cab of Vette City, now provides.

Dan Spears, owner of Yellow Cab of Vette City, said the company will work to limit customer complaints.

He said customers often complain about wait times for rides.

“We can use part of our regular fleet to address the issue so students aren't waiting as long,” Spears said.

He said the company's seven years of experience qualifies it to run Provide-A-Ride.

“I've made a huge investment in Bowling Green, and I'm looking forward to helping the community,” Spears said.

Students can reach Provide-A-Ride at (270) 776-7777 or (270) 843-3232.

GROWS

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

Also rising is the number of students enrolled at Western.

While the growth percentage is highest in the state, the actual body count for undergraduate enrollment numbers is second only to the University of Kentucky, according to CPE data.

The preliminary undergraduate enrollment estimate at Western is 17,648 students for Fall 2009 while UK's enrollment is estimated at 19,220, according to CPE data.

Dean Kahler, associate vice president for Academic Affairs, said Western is growing partially in response to

the state's Double the Numbers initiative that aims to double the number of baccalaureate degree holders in Kentucky by the year 2020.

Western's enrollment increase isn't just on the main campus but includes online enrollment and enrollment at regional campuses such as Elizabethtown and Glasgow, Kahler said.

Patrick said the enrollment growth is welcome news for the state's economy but can be bad news for an individual school if it's not the mission of the institution.

Provost Barbara Burch said there's a limit to sustaining the growth that's been achieved.

“We have been working hard for growth, but not

random growth,” she said. “We don't want to grow to the point where we can't support our students.”

Faculty and staff are working to come up with creative ways to accommodate so many new people, Burch said.

“We are looking for efficiencies every minute, every day,” she said.

Burch attributes the rising percentage of growth to a number of things: quality professors that get to know their students, unique programs and opportunities, small class sizes and the feel of Western's campus.

“Our growth is focused and intentional,” Burch said. “We work hard so that it doesn't endanger the quality of what we're doing.”

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STAFF EDITORIAL



Safe sex or silent sex?

Massachusetts university bans sex in front of a roommate

THE ISSUE: Tufts University in Massachusetts has instituted a new policy banning sexual activity in a dorm room while a roommate is present.

OUR VIEW: Although such a policy is unenforceable and carries no punishment, its message of respecting roommates is important for Western students to consider.

Every student has probably had a discussion of wacky state laws at some point during their education.

For instance, one Minnesota law makes it illegal to tease skunks. Another in Florida promises jail time to unmarried women who parachute on Sundays.

The list goes on and on, but the point remains: human history is marked with dumb rules.

Thanks to Tufts University, society now has another puzzling policy to consider, only this time at the college level.

The decision by Tufts to enact such a ludicrous policy shows how little they know about the behavior of a group whose main

concern is often sex.

It also seems the officials in the Office of Residential Life and Learning at Tufts don't understand that most students are just as capable of respecting their roommates as they are of disrespecting them.

The majority of students in their right mind would never want to have sex in front of their roommate, and those not in their right mind aren't going to let a silly rule stop them from having sex.

So to ensure that Western officials don't start looking at a "no-sex" policy, here are a few tips to help students be more considerate of their roommates without becoming celibate.

For starters, students are better off just not having sex in their dorms.

Places such as the ninth floor of the library and the deserted floors of Parking Structure 2 would be much better suited for sex than a dorm.

More adventurous students should consider a late-night trip to South Lawn to handle their risqué business.

With a little persuasion, Western might

even program the Guthrie Bell Tower with some Barry White tunes to help set the mood.

But if the dorm is the only option, students need to give their roommates fair warning so they don't walk in during the act.

Students can reestablish a trend from yesteryear by hanging a necktie or a hair band around their doorknob while doing the deed.

An even better way to keep a roommate occupied would be to buy them tickets to a movie or show whenever some privacy is needed.

Leaving a pair of noise-canceling headphones in the room for those late-night hookups wouldn't be a bad idea, either.

However, even the most considerate students can't seem to shake their roommate long enough to get busy sometimes.

If all else fails, students should remember: Don't be afraid to get roommates involved.

This editorial represents the majority opinion of the Herald's 11-member editorial board.

TOPS & BOTTOMS

TOPS to fall break being just around the corner. We're counting down the days.

BOTTOMS to projects due right after fall break. C'mon professors, it's called a break for a reason.

TOPS to no football this weekend. No football means no loss.

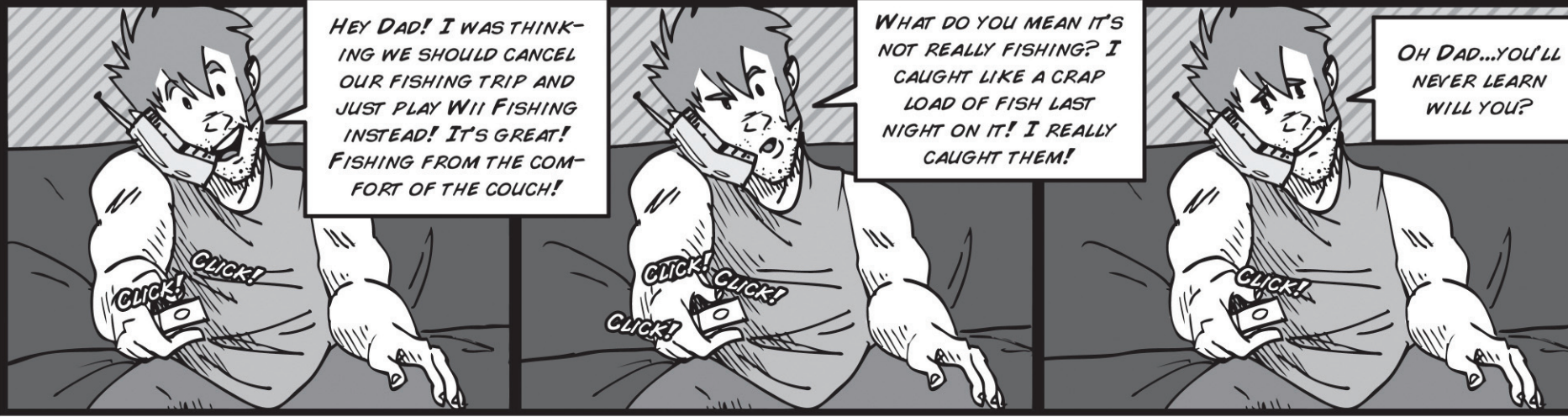
BOTTOMS to being in the dorm when your roommate is having sex. Unless, of course, you're invited to join or the person they are having sex with happens to be you.

TOPS to the arrival of fall weather. Scarves, hats and sweaters, oh my.

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Artist rendering of the Chandler Memorial Chapel and Columbarium

Chapel, columbarium construction underway

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In less than a year, some members of the Western community will be able to become part of campus forever. Construction is underway for a columbarium that will house cremated ashes and an interfaith chapel. The Chandler Memorial Chapel and Columbarium project is expected to be completed by next summer and will be near the Craig Alumni Center and Schneider Hall, said Bryan Russell, director of Planning, Design and Construction. Fundraising is nearly complete for the project, which is being paid for entirely by private donations, said John Paul Blair, assistant vice president

for Institutional Advancement. “Essentially, we’re standing at the finish line,” he said. Fundraising for the projects comes from two separate sources. Western has raised \$1.9 million for the chapel, leaving \$100,000 left to secure for the \$2 million project, Blair said. Officials have a verbal commitment for the last \$100,000, but they’re waiting for the paperwork to make it official, Blair said. The project’s cost is more than the original budget of \$1.6 million, so Western had to raise more money, he said. President Gary Ransdell said the extra cost made it necessary to scale back some of the interior features, such as changing the floor from slate

to stone. “It’s still a really neat project,” Ransdell said. Blair said that to pay for the columbarium, Western is selling niches, which will each hold two urns, for \$2,500 each. So far, 18 people have bought niches, Blair said. Two more need to be sold to pay for the project, he said. That shouldn’t be a problem because there are several people interested in buying one. The columbarium will hold 280 niches, or 560 urns, total. Ransdell said more people will want to sign up for niches once the columbarium is built. Blair said he’s excited for the new facilities to open. “It will add another dimension to the campus,” he said.

Campus thefts up in September

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Thefts reported on Western’s campus in September have increased compared to last year, but campus police say the community can squash the trend in October with preventative measures. In September 2008, there were 18 campus thefts reported, racking up \$4,381.71 worth of stolen items, according to campus crime reports. As of Wednesday, 29 campus thefts were reported in September 2009, totaling \$14,060.84 worth of stolen items, according to the reports. The reports show that most stolen items belong to students and include backpacks, textbooks, laptops, iPods, cell phones and bicycles. None of the dorm thefts have been through forcible entry, and the same kinds of items are being stolen at different dorms, said Major Mike Wallace, field operations commander for campus police. “I have no doubt that whoever is responsible for one theft is responsible or more than one,” he said. The same goes for items stolen from cars, he said. Wallace advises everyone to lock doors and keep valuables out of sight. Bicycle thefts on campus can happen whether or not a bike is locked, he said. “Any lock can be broken or defeated,” Wallace said. Wallace said campus police often

have little to work with in investigating dorm room thefts. Students often leave their rooms unlocked when they plan to return in a few minutes, and when they return, a thief has already come and gone. “Someone can walk in and out of your room in 30 seconds,” he said. Leaving any item unattended could be risky, Wallace said. In e-mails, the University Bookstore and campus police advised students to leave some kind of identifying mark in their textbooks in case they’re stolen. Jim Sears, assistant director of the University Bookstore, suggests putting a small star or circle on certain pages in textbooks. Sears said his best advice is the simplest advice — students shouldn’t leave their belongings lying around. “Most of those crimes are crimes of opportunity,” he said. For expensive items, it might be worth investing in an engraver or taking down an item’s serial number and other information that might be useful in case an item gets stolen, Wallace said. Laptop computers can have software installed, so, if they are stolen, they can be tracked through the network where the thief logs on — sort of like a GPS system in cars or cell phones, he said. He said students should report suspicious people and watch out for unusual behavior. “Be responsible, be accountable,” Wallace said. “Be vigilant.”

The dog didn't eat my homework, but...

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Many students get sick. Some simply oversleep. And a slick few push their luck with their professors using wacky reasons for their tardiness or absence from class.

“A brick fell off my house and landed on my car.”
—JEREMY MARIN
Guthrie freshman

“I’ve heard someone say they were late because there was a circus crossing the road.”
—STUART KENDERES
Covington junior

“I’ve told teachers I have dysentery. I stole that from someone I heard say that once, and I’ve been using it ever since.”
—TERRENCE JOHNSON
Atlanta freshman

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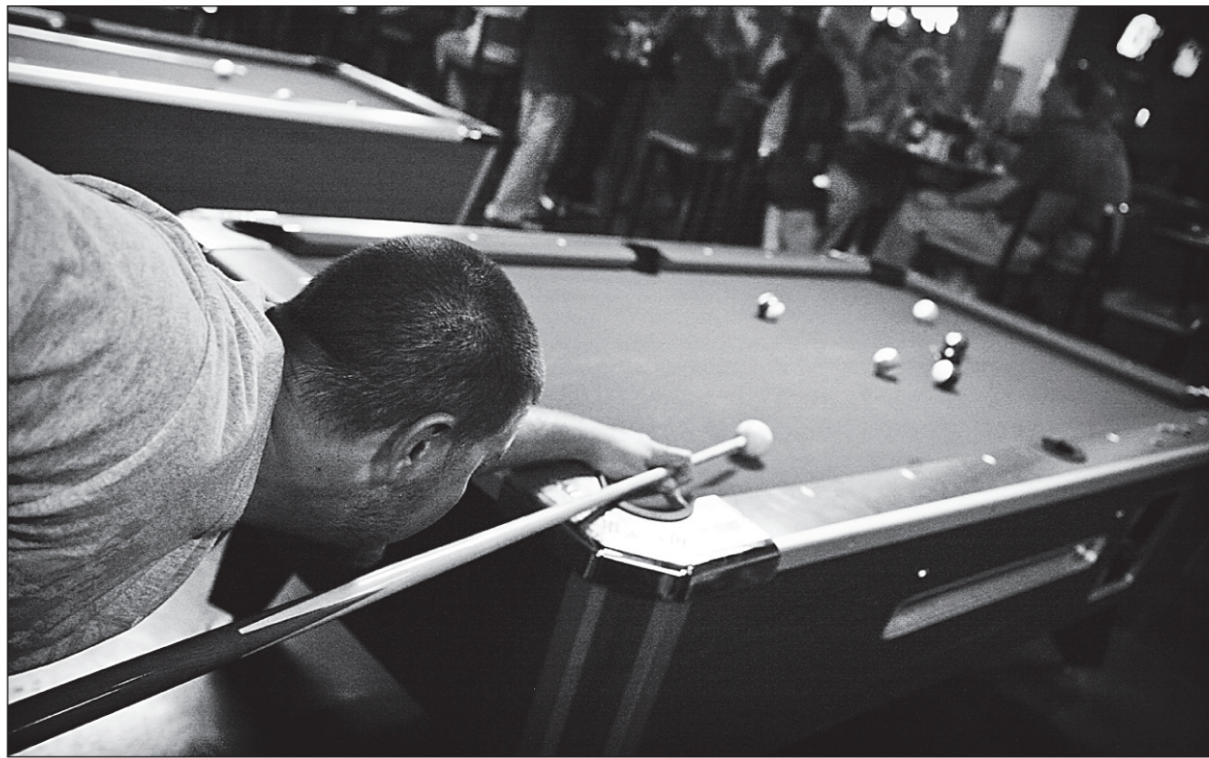
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Mike Short of Eaton, Ohio, plays a game of pool with friend and business associate Robert Neyenhaus of Grandview, Ind. Neyenhaus is a Western alumnus and brought Short to Overtime Sports Bar and Grill for some casual fun while they talked business.

New food comes to BG

By ZIRCONIA ALLEYNE
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Students have some new sans-meal plan options in off-campus eateries.

Bowling Green offers three new restaurants for your palette.

Not far from campus is Griff's Deli-Spuds and Sprouts, locally owned by Ed Griffin, who is also the owner of Mancino's.

Griff's, which opened in April, operates daily from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and offers deli sandwiches, salads, paninis and spuds.

"It's a hot spot, and we have a great lunch crowd since we're located next to the gym," Griffin said.

Kitchen employee Chris Journey sees Griff's becoming a chain one day.

"I'd have to say my favorite dish is The Suzie Q Panini," Journey said.

Cheddar's, located in front of the Kroger plaza, opened in August.

The Lexington-based franchise offers a variety of American cuisine. General Manager Tony Pagan said it hasn't felt the recession.

"Restaurants in Bowling Green are doing a lot better than restaurants in other towns," Pagan said.

Steaks, ribs, burgers, salads and seafood are just a few of the options Cheddar's offers. Although fresh on the scene, they are already a hot commodity — customers pour in and pack the parking lot from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Another new eatery, Overtime Sports Bar and Grill is in the Kroger plaza near Burger King.

Paul Parrish and Jeff Zeman, two Bowling Green residents, opened

the restaurant in June.

"We're trying to cater to everyone, especially college students," Parrish said.

They accept Big Red Dollars.

"All of our food items are reasonably and competitively priced," Zeman said.

Overtime is known for their pizzas and wings but also offers salads and wraps for healthier alternatives.

Regular customer Brian Harris enjoys "The Secretariat" pizza.

The sports bar is equipped with 34 flat screen TVs with surround sound, pool tables, the grand patio with games, the bar and occasional live bands.

"I think it's going to be a big hit for football season," said Monica Price, an Overtime employee. "It's a great place to hang out."

BUMPER to BUMPER

Colliding with yourself isn't easy

In an effort to add to my increasingly embarrassing pile of "things to read soon" and to support my fellow liberal arts folks in Cherry Hall, I bought something from the English club book sale Wednesday.

A week ago, I wouldn't have given the book I ended up buying a second look.

But a week ago, I didn't have a car.

So two days ago when, from the bottom of the small, eclectic stack of books in the "travel" section—destination Zaire or Virginia?—a copy of "Auto Repair for Dummies" screamed "Buy me! Buy me!" with its bumblebee-colored words, I had to buy it.

I should tell you that I usually ignore pleas from any of the "For Dummies" books (though I almost caved when the "Facebook for Dummies" book buzzed at me), but because the number of wheels to my name expanded threefold last weekend, I couldn't resist paying 50 cents for a book that might save me money in the long run.

You see, the car I'm now driving is as old as I am. It requires a bit more attention than modern models, and,



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when they decided to let me borrow it with the hope that they'll let me continue to do so after Thanksgiving passes by.

So yes, as you can see, I am excited about having my own set of wheels. I've put in three solid years of bumming rides and pedaling my way to and fro wherever I needed to go, and it's going to be nice not to have to do that when I don't have as much time to plan my journeys.

But I've also put myself in a bit of a situation: I know that I can survive without a car. I'm actually quite good at it. And it's environmentally sound for me not to have one (plus it decreases the strain on

our campus's desperate lack of open parking spots).

But I love hauling my own ass places. If I need to go to the bank, I can go to the bank. If I want to visit my brother, I can visit my brother. I don't have to make any phone calls or come up with alternative plans if my rides fall through. It's wonderful.

But I still feel bad about it. Had I gotten a copy of "Environmentalism for Dummies" instead, I probably would have already violated rules one (don't drive a car) through 31 (don't feel good about driving a car). Perhaps it's my permanent sense of Catholic guilt stepping up now that my life is easier, or maybe I simply feel weird about having more responsibility. It's like having a puppy to take care of, except it's never really happy to see me, and its waste pollutes the air in a way that far outdoes dog doo.

Like my dilemma with shopping at Wal-Mart, I think I'm just going to have to meet myself in the middle with this and be bumper to bumper with myself. I just hope that when I'm driving I'm not that way with another car.

BREAD

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The volunteers practiced from 2 to 6 p.m. and performed the show, "13 Dirt Floor Cathedral Dances," at 8 p.m.

Barefoot and dressed completely in white, the dancers surrounded the audience, filling the dark room with sudden movements and unusual sounds, from yelling and discordant instruments to whispered notes from air blown into empty bottles.

The puppets, dancers who wore large, sculpted masks and dark cloaks, took the stage in "Dance of the Foolish Woman, Who Tries to Bring Back to Life the Victims of the Bombardments on Gaza."

Other dances included "Deforestation Dance to Create Parking for Deforesters" and "Sermon Delivered to the Deeply Superstitious Practioners of the Paper Mache Religion."

Ashland junior Megan Woods said she decided to volunteer after hearing about the performance in one of her acting classes.

"It's an extra acting opportunity for us," she said. "During the performance, I tried to be very serious, but also have fun. It was a good learning experience and I hope they come back."

Taylorsville sophomore Joel Fickel said working with Bread and Puppet was like nothing he had done before.

"It was the most fun I've had in a long time," he said. "It was a lot of taking risks and a lot of improv."

Gahan said the Western students were amazing to work with.

"It was fun to work in this space and adapt the show to this venue," she said. "It's really exciting how the show can keep evolving."

The audience nearly filled the seats in the theater.

Fickel said the uniqueness of the performance may have initially shocked the audience, but "they got into the risk taking and became really interested."

Mayfield junior Jamie Lopez was one of those interested spectators.

"They created an audible world around the audience," Lopez said. "It was very captivating."

TOWN

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does formal dress alterations that cost from \$15 to \$40.

Gabriella Yokaris, a freshman from Peachtree City, Ga., said she'll use Just My Fit for her Chi Omega formal dances.

"Because of my height, I have trouble finding dresses that fit me," she said. "It's really convenient 'cause I won't have to take my dresses to a larger city to get them fixed."

Huntsberry's former teacher, Cindy Jones, coordinator for the design, merchandising and textile major, said Huntsberry was a good student while at Western.

"She has so much entrepreneurial spirit and even in class her constructing skills were far above those of her peers," Jones said.

Huntsberry's store doubles as a home for her and her husband. Even her two gray cats, Pan and Tinkerbelle, contribute as they slink stealthily across the room offering a break from the monotony in Huntsberry's busy schedule.

"They're my little greeters," she said, beaming. "They make everyone feel welcome and they certainly like to make their presence known."

Huntsberry said she's hoping to expand the business in the future.

"We're in the process of remodeling and I want to hire employees," she said. "It's going to be really difficult, but I love it and I really want to branch out."

But she said she'd like to stay downtown on the square.

For more information about Just My Fit, visit its blog at justmyfit.square-space.com.

GRASS

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"The only difference is people can't park on the lawns."

Jennifer Tougas, director of Parking and Transportation Services, expressed some concern about what the change will mean to updated parking lots.

Western spent about \$1.2 million this summer and about \$4 million in the past few years to update and repair many of the parking lots, Tougas said.

She said her biggest concern is that people will dump hot coals from grills on the lots or poke holes in the asphalt.

"We're gonna have people out there keeping an eye on things," she said.

Officials' move to kick

vehicles off the lawns follows other tailgating policy changes made earlier this semester.

Officials prohibited large sound systems from tailgating areas, except for sound equipment belonging to organizations and/or sponsors working with Athletics.

They also decided to close down tailgating areas 30 minutes before football games start instead of the previous 20 minutes.

President Gary Ransdell sent e-mails to students on Sept. 11 and 15 reminding them of tailgating rules, specifically rules about drinking.

The Sept. 15 e-mail warned students that Western would be cracking down on violations because excessive drinking was making tailgating overly wild.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Irish transfer makes adjustments

By EMILY PATTON
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Ireland transfer student Michelle Finn is unable to do the one thing she came to Western to do— compete on a team.

“I just came here to run,” Finn said.

Having transferred from the University of Limerick in Ireland this season, Finn is awaiting approval of her academic transcripts by Educational Credential Evaluators Inc., a company that verifies documents, coach Michelle Scott said.

The results will be forwarded back to Western to grant her athletic eligibility by NCAA standards, Scott said.

Finn’s ineligibility forces her to run unattached from Western and causes her points to go unrecorded, as in the Old Timers Classic two weeks ago.

The women’s team finished second to the University of Kentucky by one point in the event, meaning Finn’s 12th-place finish would have given the Lady Toppers a win.

The cross country teams will compete in the Greater Louisville Classic

in Louisville on Saturday, and Scott said she hopes to have Finn on the roster.

“At this meet, it will be huge for us to have her run, because this is a much bigger meet,” she said. “We really need her to run.”

The race will be the Lady Toppers’ last chance to run as a team before the Indiana State University Pre-Nationals on Oct. 17.

“We are looking good going into Saturday’s race,” Scott said. “But if we get Michelle Finn eligible, we are looking very good.”

Scott, also a native of Ireland, recruited Finn and another Irish runner, senior Eimear O’Brien, who came to Western in 2007.

“I was really delighted to see that she transferred here,” O’Brien said. “It’s nice to have someone from back home.”

The wait for eligibility has not been Finn’s only challenge since coming to Kentucky. Born and raised in the countryside of Ireland, she is also learning to adapt to the temperamental Kentucky weather.

“Ireland is more wet and mucky,” Finn said.

“I thought the adjustment to here would be worse, but when you are running hard, you aren’t really thinking about that.”

In Ireland, it’s common to race in the pouring rain with a gale force wind blowing, O’Brien said.

Finn said a more difficult transition has been adjusting to life without her family, who remain in Ireland.

Finn said she’s used Skype, an online communication program, to keep in touch with her family since moving to Kentucky in August.

“It’s hard not seeing my family at all or just being able to go home for the weekend,” Finn said.

Regardless of granted eligibility, weather or homesickness, Finn said she’s prepared for what Saturday’s competition will bring.

“I’m anxious to be cleared and be counted as part of the team,” Finn said.

As of press time on Thursday, Finn still hadn’t been cleared to race affiliated with the Lady Toppers.

“I’m crossing my fingers that it’ll work out,” Scott said. “It shouldn’t have come to this at the home meet either.”

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“She just wants the team to be successful. She’ll do whatever she can to help the team and carries herself in a way the reflects a real team quality.”

—JASON NEIDELL
Soccer coach

Senior midfielder Kellie Walker kicks the ball at soccer practice on Wednesday. Walker has the second-most career assists in Western history.

Walker nears school scoring, assists records

By COLE CLAYBOURN
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Every once in a while, a coach comes upon a player who makes a run at the school’s record books.

For Lady Toppers soccer coach Jason Neidell, this season’s record-chasing player is senior midfielder Kellie Walker.

Walker’s 18 assists are second in Lady Toppers history, putting her three away from the program record. With a goal in Friday’s match against Florida Atlantic, she ranks fourth in school history with 20 goals.

Walker also stands fourth all time in points scored with 58.

In the midst of the record chasing, Walker was named Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week for the first time in her career for her efforts in the University of Kentucky Tournament on September 18 through 20.

She was also named to the all-tournament team along with senior defender Morgan Thomas, red-shirt sophomore forward Mallory Outerbridge and

redshirt junior midfielder Nikki Workman.

“I was just shocked and surprised,” Walker said about receiving the awards. “I was definitely excited. I just always try to play with a lot of heart and passion.”

Neidell said no matter what happens on the field, the senior stays humble.

“She just wants the team to be successful,” he said. “She’ll do whatever she can to help the team and carries herself in a way the reflects a real team quality.”

Senior forward Megan Meinke, who entered the Lady Topper soccer program with Walker as freshman, has been a beneficiary of Walker’s play this year. Both of her goals have come from assists by Walker.

“She’s a really consistent player,” Meinke said. “She’s always doing something good. We expect the best from her and nothing less.”

Meinke said she’s seen Walker grow tremendously since they both arrived at Western four years ago.

“She’s gotten much more confident,” she said.

“Her confidence grows each year, as well as her ability.”

Walker said she never anticipated having such a decorated career.

In high school, she tallied a lot of assists but wasn’t much of a goal scorer, she said.

Neidell said he hoped she would eventually become the dynamic player she is now, but first she faced a number of challenges.

“One of the biggest things she’s overcome is challenges with her fitness,” he said. “Her freshman year, she couldn’t play for more than 15 or 20 minutes at a time because she would get tired. Now she plays almost the whole game.”

Neidell said Walker is the type of player a coach doesn’t want to take off the field.

“She just plays so hard all the time,” he said. “You can see the intensity and passion she has for the game every time she steps on the field.”

The Lady Toppers play today at 7 p.m. at South Alabama.

EXCELS

CONTINUED FROM SPORTS

“I owed it to the senior class to go out and compete just like how I want the underclassmen to do for us this year,” Siljendahl said.

Argabright noticed a difference in Siljendahl’s game, too. She said Siljendahl began to jump higher and block balls better, skills vital to becoming a

successful outside hitter.

Siljendahl said her goal for this year was to “make a statement.” Through 15 games, she ranks fifth on the team with 107 kills and third with 24 assists.

Siljendahl said she knows exactly who to thank for her determination to reach the level of play that she’s achieved.

“I have to thank my mom, because she was the hardest worker I know,” she said.

Hudson said Siljendahl is one of his favorite players he has coached.

“Through absolute hard work, she has become one of the best players in the league,” Hudson said. “As a coach, you are always trying to be fair, but some players you just pull for and Abbie is definitely one of those.”

Siljendahl and the Lady Toppers (11-5, 0-1 SBC) play at 5:30 today at Florida International in Miami.

WOLFF

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Wolff has posted a scoring average of 73.8 through her first four rounds this season, well under her 80.1 average as a junior.

Wolff has done everything possible to improve her results in her final season, coach Ron Burchett said.

“She decided to make a commitment this past summer to see how far she can go with the game,” Burchett said. “She worked on conditioning, weights and just fine-tuning her short game and putting.”

The Lady Toppers will compete Oct. 5 and 6 in the Butler Fall Invitational in Indianapolis — a tournament that Wolff said is winnable for the team.

Western won the tournament during her freshman season but hasn’t competed in the event since.

“I feel like the course is good for our team, because there are holes that you can use to separate yourself from the rest of the field,” Wolff said. “I’d like to come back and show them that we’re just as good as we were then, and we’re capable of winning.”

DOYLE

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That’s when the phone lit up for Doyle. He has three more seasons to collaborate with Jakes, who Doyle said he communicates well with on the field.

“One of my buddies texted me knowing that (Jakes) is in the same class as me,” Doyle said. “That’s really exciting to look forward to and have that connection and be able to work with him, being in the same class.”

Wells said Doyle “surprised” the coaching staff, causing them to begin using more two-tight end sets this season in an effort to integrate Doyle’s talent into the offense.

“He’s got size. He’s got


strength. He’s got athletic ability,” Wells said. “When you combine all that together, you get a pretty good football player, and that’s what he is.”

Doyle leads a young group of tight ends, including redshirt sophomore Tristan Jones, who has caught two passes for 38 yards this season.

“Me and Tristan have a great relationship,” Doyle said. “And we try to push each other as much as possible.”

Doyle, who said his major role in high school was to block rather than make plays, is still growing into his emerging role as a leading receiver for the Toppers.

“I didn’t expect to be in this role this early,” Doyle said.



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VOLLEYBALL



Senior outside hitter Abbie Siljendahl sits on the sidelines during Monday's game against Xavier in Diddle Arena.

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GOLF

Senior steps up

By ZACH GREENWELL
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When Emily Wolff first came to Western, one of her main aspirations didn't involve medalist honors or individual accolades with the golf team.

The Florence senior said she just wanted to learn what it takes to be a leader.

"The girls who were here when I came to Western were really good to me," she said. "After I saw that, I just gave it my all to become a good captain."

Wolff's leadership abilities have been put to the test this season as she has been accompanied by one sophomore and three freshmen in the Lady Toppers' first two tournaments.

Wolff's optimism can be contagious, freshman Kristen Wilkinson said.

"Emily is just a really positive person," Wilkinson said. "If you're having a bad day, she can always say something that will bring you back up."

Freshman Dawn Wientjes said she chose Western in part because of Wolff's role as a guide during her visit.

"She helped me with my major and signing up for all my classes," Wientjes said. "She's such a good leader because she's helpful beyond golf, too."

Wolff said it's important to her to make sure that the younger golfers are doing well away from the course because that leads to better results on the links.

"I want to make sure that it's not always about golf for them," she said. "If everything else around golf is good, I think things tend to go better in tournaments, too."

Wolff is the definition of a veteran senior, having competed in 31 of 32 possible tournaments since her freshman year.

She won her first collegiate tournament last year at the Ray Wright Screaming Eagle Classic and began this season with a win at the Murray State Drake Creek Invitational.



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Outside shot

Siljendahl excels despite rough freshman season

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Hard work and dedication can go a long way. Just ask senior outside hitter Abbie Siljendahl.

Siljendahl has gone through what coach Travis Hudson calls a "career odyssey." She had trouble adjusting at the start of her freshman year in 2006 but has emerged as one of the Lady Toppers' leaders this season.

"When she came here, I don't remember many freshmen that struggled more," Hudson said. "It was extremely frustrating for her, because she was in and out of the lineup."

Midway through her freshman year, Hudson and Siljendahl had a talk that Hudson said might have

been one of her turning points.

"I simply let her know that she was not as physically gifted as most of the players," Hudson said. "I told her if she was going to compete, she would have to outwork everyone."

Siljendahl said she saw her physicality as a challenge but one she knew she could overcome. With the help of a strength coach, she started working out more and changed her diet.

"The strength coach always told me that will is greater than skill," Siljendahl said. "I've got to be more determined than the player sitting next to me."

Megan Argabright, graduate assistant and former Lady Toppers outside hitter, witnessed Siljendahl's transformation firsthand.

"She was always in the gym trying to improve on her body and on her skill set," Argabright said.

Hudson said that Siljendahl finally broke out of her shell during last year's Sun Belt Conference Tournament, where she was named to the all-tournament team for her play.

"She was a huge reason we won the tournament last year," Hudson said. "It was great that all of her hard work finally went noticed."

Siljendahl said she felt the pressure to perform well during the tournament for the team's graduating players, including Argabright.

FOOTBALL

Doyle emerges as top target early on

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Excuse redshirt freshman tight end Jack Doyle if he's not overly exuberant about his starting role for the Toppers this fall.

"I'm really just a common guy," Doyle said.

Doyle said he's like anyone else — never mind that he's a 6-foot-5, 248-pound contributor on a Football Bowl Subdivision team.

Doyle's route to the college playing field wasn't so common, though.

Unheralded out of high school, Doyle said he accepted a gray shirt-role for Western and lucked into a scholarship before last season.

After putting in months of work on the scout team in 2008, coach David Elson said the coaching staff knew Doyle was the future at the tight end spot.

"We kind of knew all year ... He gave us a great look and we were like, 'This guy is going to be really good,'" Elson said. "He's everything you really want."

Doyle grew up in a Catholic family

and attended Cathedral High School in Indianapolis — a typical upbringing by his standards but one that offensive coordinator Walter Wells said contributed to Doyle's work ethic.

"He's a blue-collar guy," Wells said. "He just brings his lunch pail and gets after it."

Doyle has set an example for the rest of the team, even if it's not as a vocal leader, he said.

"He's exactly what I want and what coach Elson wants on this team," Wells said. "He's a guy that goes to work every day and doesn't have a whole lot to say."

Doyle's journey to a starting position has had its ups and downs. He suffered a broken ankle last winter, sidelining him for months and leaving the tight end spot open for the taking.

But Doyle has earned the starting position, leading the Toppers in receptions (17) and yards (137) this season. He gained 80 yards on six receptions via redshirt freshman quarterback Kawaun Jakes in Saturday's 38-22 loss to Navy.

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Freshman tight end Jack Doyle blocks during Tuesday's practice. Doyle has been Western's most consistent receiver this season.